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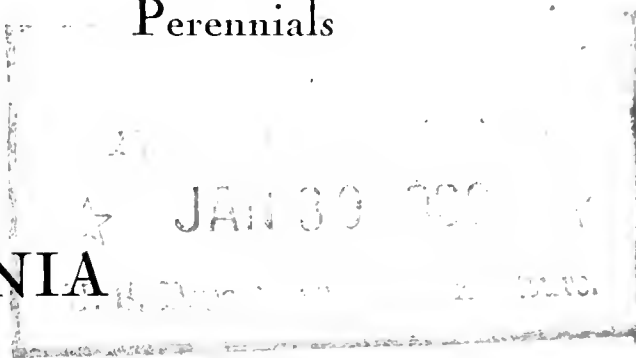
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Ferns
Shrubs
Perennials

DOS RIOS, CALIFORNIA



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IMPORTANT

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CORRESPONDENCE. We are very glad to answer any inquiries about our flowers. We find from our past inquiries that there are many who would like to have more natives in their gardens but who are not quite sure of what they want and how their garden conditions might meet the need of native plants. In the first place we are located where we have considerable snow and cold weather. This condition is bound to give hardy plants. There are certain plants we can recommend to one about to start in on natives, not alone because they are hardy and of easy culture, but attractive and representative as well. I will mention a few in the order of their blooming period. Also, these plants need nothing in the way of planting outside of regular garden conditions, CYNOGLOSSUM (blue) is very early; then SCARLET LARKSPUR and blue ACONITUM, COLUMBINE truncata, (red) and Coerulea (blue), Pentsemons Heterophyllus (blue) and Rupicola (pink), Dicentras, SILENE Californica and Hookerii, and for the latest bloomer a fine Zauschneria. Here, for about \$2.00, one can find a selection of natives. The bulbous plants are also easy to raise and offer no trouble to a gardener. Another selection of plants that is excellent for the shady side of the house includes the following: CLINTONIA, ASARUM CAUDATUM, BLUE-EYED GRASS, TRILLIUMS, some of the LILLIES and, of course, many of the FERNS.



CALIFORNIA WILD FLOWER NURSERY

Information concerning growing conditions and planting directions are sent with all orders.

ACHILLEIAS TOMENTOSUM, Yarrow —Evergreen and excellent for the rock garden. Very compact with flowers of bright yellow .....	.25
ACONITUM Columbianum —Monkshood for moist location. Dark Blue flowers.....	.25
AQUILEGIA, Columbine, Chrysantha —Long spurred. Yellow flowers.....	.25
A. Coerules—Large blue flowered Colorado Columbine.....	.35
A. Formosa—Crimson and scarlet.....	.25
A. Truncata—Our native, long blooming Columbine.....	.25
A. Saximontana—Dwarf. Long blooming rock plant. Quite rare.....	.50
A. Hybrids—A variety of colors.....	.20
ANDROSACES SARMENTOSA —Choice alpine. Small rosettes of green leaves and pink flowers .....	.35
ARENARIA MONTANA —White flowers in a mass of creeping foliage.....	.25
A. Balearica—Tiny plant with white flowers.....	.25
A. Caespitosa—Looks like fine green moss.....	.25
ASARUM CAUDATUM (Ginger Root) —Fine for a ground cover or around ferns.....	.15
AUBRETIAS —Mixed. A necessary plant for the rock garden.....	.25
CAMPANULA UNIFLORA (Alpine Harebell) —Large deep blue flowers.....	.50
C. Rotundiflora (Mountain Harebell)—A charming plant.....	.50
C. Carpatica nana—Dwarf, with large blue flowers.....	.30
C. Isophylla—A trailing variety. Fine for creeping around rocks.....	.50
Ceratostigma Larpentae —A late flowering plant and well worth having.....	.25
Chlorogallum —A many branched stem bearing small white flowers, rises from many sword-shaped basal leaves .....	.10
Claytonia Rosea —Spring beauty. Delicate pink blossoms.....	.20
CLINTONIA ANDREWSIANA —One of the choice plants of the State. The foliage, flowers and fruit are worthy of a place in your garden.....	.25
Convulvulus Mauritanicus —Excellent rock plant.....	.25
Cynoglossum Grande (Hounds Tongue) —A mountain plant which has many friends. Many forget-me-not like flowers.....	.25
DELPHINUM NUDICAULE (Scarlet Larkspur) —A very popular native. Roots.....	.10
D. Hesperium—A tall blue variety.....	.10
Dianthus Deultoides —Small red blossoms from a mass of tiny foliage.....	.25
DICENTRA FORMOSA (Dutchmans Breeches) —Fine fernlike foliage and pink flowers....	.15
D. Glaucia—Very delicate foliage and cream colored flowers. Rather new.....	.35
DODECATHEON HENDERSONI (Shooting Star).....	.20
ERIGERON GLAUCUS (Beach Daisy) —Blooms nearly the entire year. Pink.....	.25
E. Uniflorus (Alpine Daisy)—Violet .....	.25
ERIOPHYLLUM LANATUM —A hardy, gray leaved plant for dry locations.....	.20
ERYSIMUM ASPERNUM —The popular Western Wallflower.....	.20

F E R N S

BIRDSFOOT (Pellea Ornithopus) —Stiff, gray rock fern. For sunny spots.....	.35
BRAKE (Pteris) —A large leafed fern for dry locations.....	.25
CHEILANTHES CALIFORNICA —Dainty fern for shady crevices.....	.35
C. GRACILLMA (Lace Fern) —Grows fine in the rocks when established.....	.35
CHAIN FERN (Woodwardia Radicans) —Grows to over 12 feet.....	.35, .50, .75
COFFEE FERN (Pellea Andromedaefolia) —Appeals to all fern fanciers.....	.35, .50
FIVE FINGER FERN (Adiantum Pedatum) —Fine for the house as well as garden .50, .75, 1.00	
GOLD FERN (Polypodium).....	.35
SIERRA CLIFF BRAKE (Pellea Breweri) —Quite a rare fern.....	.50
SWORD FERN (Polystichium Minitum) —Always a garden treasure.....	.50, .75
GERANIUM SYLVATICUM —A native from the far north. A gem.....	.50
GEUM (Lady Stratheden) —The well known golden variety.....	.25
G. Mrs. Bradshaw—Large scarlet flowers .....	.25
G. Montanum—Golden flowers. A wonderful addition to your garden.....	.50
HEUCHERA MICRANTHA (Alum Root).....	.20
IRIS MACROSIPHON VAR PURDYI —Pink or white. Each.....	.20
I. Douglasiana (Mountain Iris)—Cream colored.....	.20
I. Missouriensis (Western Blue Flag).....	.20
KNIPHOFIA (Tritoma or Red Hot Poker).....	.25
LAVENDULA VERA —Fine large plants of true lavender.....	.25
Lavender Mumstead—A dwarf for the rock garden.....	.35
LEWISIAS —These are among the very best of rock garden plants.	
L. Finchii—One of the largest lewisias. Striped pink flowers.....	.50

L. Heckneri—Pink and white flowers.....	.50
L. Howellii—Flowers are deep rose, striped with white.....	.30
L. Leeana—Slender leaves and rosy-purple flowers.....	.25
L. Rediva—A very showy dwarf. Flowers pink and white.....	.25
LINNEAE BOREALIS (Twin Flower Vine)—One of the finest creeping ground covers....	.15
MELANDRINUM DURANUM—A native from the far north. Many purple pink flowers on a single pedicel, rising from a thick crown of leaves.....	.50
MESEMBRYANTHEMUM—A very attractive and unusual addition for a shady and moist spot in the rock garden.....	.50
MERTENSIA (Tall Chiming Bells)—Bell-shaped pink and lavender flowers.....	.25
MIMULUS CARDINALIS—One of the finest mountain plants.....	.25
NEPETA GLECHOMA—A grand ground cover. Thrives under any condition.....	.25
OENOTHERA CAESPITOSA (Stemless Primrose)—Large, pure white flowers that turn pink. A happy plant to have in the garden.....	.30
OXALIS OREGONA (Redwood Sorrel)—Plant under ferns or in deep shady places. It spreads rapidly and has attractive, rose-colored flowers.....	.15
PRIMULA AUGUSTIFOLIA (Fairy Primrose)—A dwarf from the high mountains, with rose-purple flowers .....	.50
PENTSTEMONS (Corymbosis)—A hardy, shrubby variety with scarlet flowers.....	.50
P. Cardwelli—Shrubby creeper with bright blue flowers.....	.35
P. Fruticosus—A fine pink flowering plant.....	.35
P. Glaber—Many blooms of blue and pink tints.....	.50
P. Heyerophyllus—Flowers are a deep blue that fade into lavender and last all summer. One plant will cover three square feet with a mass of blooms.....	.25
P. Humilis—A dwarf form with dark blue flowers.....	.35
P. Menziesii—A blue flowered creeper.....	.35
P. Rupicola—Compact and dwarf in habit. Rose pink flowers.....	.35
P. Superb—Gloxiana shaped blooms of varied colors.....	.50
P. Unilateralis—Long spikes of purple-blue flowers.....	.50
P. Glaucus—Reddish purple flowers. Rather unusual.....	.35
PASQUE FLOWER (Anemone Patens)—Large lavender flowers with gold centers. One of the most beautiful and conspicuous of the Spring flowers.....	.50
PHLOX SUBLATA ROSEA—A dense and compact plant covered with flowers of a deep rose color .....	.25
SALVIA (Purple Sage)—The tall purple safe of the San Gabriel Mts.....	.25
Thistle Sage—A white woolly plant bearing whorls of blue flowers.....	.25
The following list comprises some of the best SEDUMS and SEMPERVIVUMS	
SEDUMS — Dasyphyllum, Hispanicum, Jepsonii, Lydium, Purdyii, Radiatum, Rupestre, Spathulifolium. SEMPERVIVUMS—Calcareum, Arachnoideum, Tec- torum and Soboliferum. Each.....	.25
A collection of 12 of these species.....	2.00
SILENES (Californica)—Indian pink. One root forms a mass of red blooms and lasts all Summer .....	.25
S. Hookerii—Has a soft pink blossom and is very attractive.....	.25
S. Ingrami—Deep pink flowers similar to the Hookerii.....	.50
S. Shafta—Has a trailing habit. Rose pink flowers.....	.25
S. Maritima—This also likes to trail around. White flowers.....	.25
SISYRINCHUM BELLUM (Blue-Eyed Grass)—Pretty Iris-like flowers.....	.20
SMILACINA AMPLEXICAULES (False Solomon Seal)—One of our very best natives. It is attractive at all times and useful for a background in dry locations, and needs little shade .....	.15
TRIENTALIS—A fine little plant with star-like flowers that can best be used as a ground cover for bulbs. Per dozen.....	.25
TRADESCANTIA—Unusual formed flowers on tall stems which bloom over a long period .....	.25
THYMUS ALBUS—White flowers on a low dense mass of foliage.....	.30
T. Lanuginose—A trifle taller than the Albus.....	.30
T. Serphyllum Coccineus—Taller than the above with red flowers.....	.30
YERBA BUENA—A fragrant creeping plant.....	.15
YUCCA FILAMENTOSA—A hardy plant and very ornamental.....	.50
VANCOUVERIA HEXANDRA (Redwood Ivy)—Very popular for bouquets, hanging baskets or ground cover.....	.10 Per dozen 1.00
VIOLAS (West American Violets) Glabella—Violet shaded leaves and yellow flowers.	
V. Ocellata—Upper petals white, violet purple on the outside and the other petals are white or yellow.....	
V. Lobata—Leaves resemble the oak leaf. Yellow flowers. Each....	.12 Per dozen 1.00
ZAUSCHNERIA CALIFORNICA (Humming-Birds Trumpet)—A dwarf plant which cannot be surpassed for rocky dry places. Brilliant red trumpet flowers in the Fall....	.25

NATIVE BULBS

ALLIUM FALCIFOLIUM —Attractive and hardy plants with rose purple flowers. Plant about 2 inches deep in the sun.....	.05
BRODIAEAS —Early flowering, hardy Spring flowers. Plant 2 inches deep in loose, gritty, well drained soil.	
B. Capitata (California Hyacinth).....	.04
B. Coccinea (Floral Firecracker) —An interesting flower having the appearance of a bunch of firecrackers. Large bulgs.... .08 Medium bulbs.....	.05
B. Grandiflora (Harvest Brodiaea) —Glossy purple flowers.....	.05
B. Ixoides Splendens (Golden Star) —Excellent yellow flowers.....	.05
B. Lactea —White with green veins .....	.05
B. Laxa —An umbel of blue flowers.....	.05
Mixed Collection of Brodiaeas —6 varieties, 12 bulbs.....	.50
CAMASSIA LEICHTLINI —Excellent plant for pool borders but does well under regular garden conditions. Blooms early. Blue flowers.....	.07
ZYGADENUS FREMONTII —Related to the Camassia. Light yellow flowers.....	.07
Z. ELEGANS (Wand Lily) —Dwarf with a spikelike raceme of cream-colored flowers.....	.12

CALOCHORTUS

C. ALBUS (White Pearl) —Hanging globular flowers of soft white.....	.05
C. Albus (Pink Pearl) —Similar to above but with light pink flowers.....	.08
C. Amabilis (Yellow Lantern).....	.05
C. Benthami —Bright yellow flowers.....	.05
C. Clavatus —The blooms of deep yellow are the largest of the Mariposas.....	.12
C. Gunnisonii (Colorado Mariposa) —A very large white flower, sometimes shaded with cream and pink.....	.10
C. Lilacinus —Lavender colored blooms.....	.05
C. Maweanus (Cat Ears) —A low growing plant with delicate purple flowers.....	.05
C. Vesta —Of all the Calochortus, the Vesta is by far the finest. They like full sun and grow in any soil. The coloring, that is in the range of colors, cannot be equalled. They are the finest representative of the Mariposa (butter-fly tulip).	
C. Vesta —White flushed with pink and lilic. Some are very nearly purple. Large bulbs .....	.08 Medium bulbs
C. Venustus El Dorado —An excellent strain of mixed colors; white pink and purple....	.06
Mixed Collection of Calochortus —2 each of 9 varieties.....	1.00
ERYTHRONIUMS (Dog's-Tooth Violets) —These are a woodland plant, preferring light shade and do well in many kinds of soil. Plant upright about 3 inches deep. These charming flowers have a host of friends and are a joy in the garden as well as excellent for bouquets. Very hardy.	
E. Californica —Light yellow to cream.....	.04
E. Grandiflorum —Large bright yellow flowers.....	.06
E. Hendersonii —Charming light purple flowers.....	.05
E. Johnsonii —Beautiful shades of rose pink.....	.10
Mixed Collection —3 each of four varieties.....	.50
FRITILLARIAS —These are among the earliest of our Spring flowers. Recurva and Lanceolata are woodland plants, needing some shade. Plant 2 to 3 inches deep in loose, gritty, well drained soil. The Purdyi needs full sun.	
F. Lanceolata (Mission Bell) —Flowers in form of pendant bells. Green and brown mottled .....	.05
F. Recurva (Red Bells) —By far the finest of the Fritillarias, and one of the best of all wild bulbous plants. Scarlet or orange and scarlet bells.....	.07
F. Purdyi —A dwarf about 6 inches high. White and greenish bells. They look as if they had been varnished with dark red and chocolate colors.....	.10
Mixed Collection —4 each of three varieties.....	.70

CALIFORNIA LILIES

L. HUMBOLDTII, BOLANDERI, RUBESCENS and COLUMBIANUM need sheltered positions from heavy winds, in partial shade; although we have many of these in the full sun and the results have been very satisfactory. Give them good drainage, and plant not less than 6 inches from the surface. Never move a lily bulb if you can avoid it.	
L. Columbianum (Oregon Lilly) —Bright reddish yellow, spotted with purple. Stem is slender. 2 to 4 feet high. Fine bulbs.....	.30
L. Humboldtii —Large orange-red flowers, spotted with small maroon dots. Often these lillies reach up to 10 feet. Fine bulbs.....	.40
L. Bolanderi —A very rare lily seldom over 3 feet with deep red flowers. Fine bulbs....	.75

L. Rubescens (Redwood or Chemise Lilly) —Perhaps the hardiest as well as one of the finest lillies in the State. We have many lillies which reach a height of 12 feet, with 30 to 50 flowers. They are nearly white with purple dotes on opening, and then turn to a deep pinkish purple. Fine bulbs.....	.40	Medium bulbs.....	.30
The following lilies belong to the bog lilies and grow naturally along streams on lake borders or in damp, moist meadows. We grow most of these in the fern beds, but we also have some in the gardens where we can give them sufficient moisture, and they do very well. The best soil is a light sandy loam with plenty of leaf mold. Plant about 3 inches deep. Good drainage also necessary.			
L. MARTIMUM —Deep crimson flowers. A distinctive and unusual lily, very rare. Seldom over 3 feet high. Fine bulbs.....			.35
L. PARDALINUM —Bright orange and scarlet blooms, dotted with dark maroon spots. They grow to 8 feet and often have 30 blossoms on a stem. Large bulbs.....			.25
L. PARRYI (Lemon Lily) —Clear lemon colored flowers on stems seldom over 5 feet. Due to its unusual color it is a very interesting addition to your garden. Large bulbs			.80
L. ROEZLII —A rather short slender-stemmed lily with flowers similar to the Pardalinum. Fine bulbs .....			.40

TRILLIUMS

Among the earliest of our Spring flowers the **TRILLIUM** is one of the finest plants for shady spots around the gardens.

T. Sessile —Very strong and hardy plants. Pure white flowers. Large bulbs.....	.08
T. Ovatum (often called Wake Robin) —Flowers open white and turn pink. Large bulbs .....	.08
HEMEROCALLES FULVA (Day Lilies) —Large, rich, copper colored flowers. Very hardy and excellent for the borders of pools.....	.25
TIGRIDIAS (Tiger Flower) —An exquisite plant with habits of the Gladiolus. Rich, creamy colored flowers with maroon spots.....	.25

CYPRIPEDIUMS (Lady's Slippers)

C. Acaule (Pink Lady's Slippers) —Rose colored flowers.....	.40
C. Fasciculatum —Dwarf, with brownish flowers. Very rare.....	.40
C. Montanum —Large white flowers with brown spots.....	.40
CALYPSO BOREALIS —A very dainty member of this family. Pink and rose.....	.20

SHRUBS

ARABIS BREWERI —Compact dwarf with red purple flowers.....	.35
ARALIA CALIFORNICA (Spikenard) —Long spikes of creamy flowers. Needs shade and moist location .....	.35
AZALEA (Rhododendron Occidentalis) —Fragrant pink and cream flowers. Needs shade and moisture .....	.50
CALYCANTHUS OCCIDENTALIS (Sweet Shrub) —Both leaves and blossoms are fragrant. Shade and moisture.....	.50
CERCIS OCCIDENTALIS (Red Bud) —California's most charming tree.....	.50, .75
CHAMISAL —A white flowering native that is very hardy.....	.25
CLEMATIS LASIANTHA —A very popular and hardy vine.....	.35
CORNUS NUTTALLI —Large flowering Dod Wood.....	.50, .75
CINQUIFOIL (Potentilla Fruticosa) —A shrub that needs considerable moisture, bearing many yellow rose-like flowers.....	.75
P. EFFUSA (Silver Cinquifol) —White foliage with lemon yellow flowers.....	.75
CHRISTMAS BERRIES (Toyon).....	.50
COTONEASTER DIELSIANA —Small coral red berries.....	.75
C. FRANCHETTI (China) —Upright arching branches, orange red berries.....	.50
GARRY ELLIPTICA (Silk Tassel Bush) —A handsome evergreen.....	.50
MADRONA (Arbutus Menziesii) —Broad leafed evergreen. In cans only.....	1.00
MANZANITA ARCTOSTAPHYLOS —Hardy flowering shrub.....	.50
M. NUMMULARIA —Very dwarf, and fine for the rock garden.....	.75
PYRACANTHA (Formasiana) —Lovely white flowers in Spring, and brilliant orange colored berries in the Fall.....	.50
OREGON GRAPE (Mahonia).....	.35
RHAMUS CROCEA —Densely branched shrub with holly-like leaves.....	.60
RHODODENDRONS CALIFORNICUM —Our fine native shrub. Rose-colored flowers....	.75
RIBES SPECIOSUM (Fuchia Flowering Gooseberry).....	.50
SNOWBERRY —Attractive with its clusters of white berries.....	.50
SPIRAEA ARIEFOLIA —Spray of cream colored blossoms.....	.50
SYRINGA (Philadelphus) .....	.50
WILD LILACS (Ceanothus Integerrimus) —Many panicles of white flowers.....	.50
C. Foliosus —Prostrate and of spreading habit, blue flows. Cans only.....	.60
C. Cyaneus —Very glossy leaves and dark blue flowers. Cans only.....	1.00
LONICERA HISPIDULA (California Honey Suckle)25

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SEEDS

The seeds listed below are the same as we plant here, but we cannot guarantee their productiveness, as many adverse conditions may arise in their culture. We find the raising of wild plants very simple if given the care that one would give to domestic plants.

Previous to this year we sold seeds for 25c per pkt. This pkt. contained one pennyweight, which was too much seed for the individual gardener. This year we are reducing the content of our pkts. and selling them for 10c. The minimum order being 50c.

Please mention substitutes in case we are short of some seed ordered.

Aquilegia Coerulea	Fritillaria Agrestis
Aquilegia Truncata	Lanceolata
Aconitum	Purdyi
Allium Falcifolium	Recurva
Aralia Californica	Garryi Elliptica
Baby-Blue Eyes	Gilia Tricolor (Birds' Eyes Gilia)
Brodiaea Capitata	Gilia Capitata (Large Blue Gilia)
Coccinea	Godetia Farewell to Spring
Grandiflora	Ginger Root Asarum Caudatum
Lactea	Holodiscus Ariefolia
Laxa	Iris Macrosiphon
Calochortus Amabilis	Douglasiana
Maweanus	Lupine Polyphyllus
Vesta	Chamissonis (Beach Lupine)
Camassia	Lewisia Howelli
Calycanthus	Rediviva
Castilleia Foliolosa (Indian Paint Brush)	Lilies Columbianum
Ceanothus Integerrimus	Pardalinum
Cinquefoil	Rubescens
Clarkia	Regal
Clematis Lasiantha	Lonicera Hispidula
Collinsia Bicolor	Madrona
Cystus (Scotch Broom)	Mantzelia Laevicaulis (Blazing Star)
Cotyledon Californica	Mimulus Cardinalis
Cornus Nuttalli (Dogwood)	Pentstemon Corymbosis
Cynoglossum Grande	Heterophyllum
Dodecatheon Hendersonii	Unilateralis
Dianthus Deltoides	Platystemon Californicus
Delphinium Decorum Dwarf Larkspur	Cream-Cups
Hesperium Tall Blue Larkspur	Rhamus Crocea
Nudicaule Red Larkspur	Redbud
Parryi Tall Blue Larkspur	Smilacina Amplexicaulis
Wrexham Strain	Salvia Carduacea
Dicentra Formosa	Silene Californica
Eriophyllum Lanatum	Hookerii
Erythronium Californica (Easter Lilies)	Viola Pedunculata
Erysimum Aspernum (Western Wall Flower)	



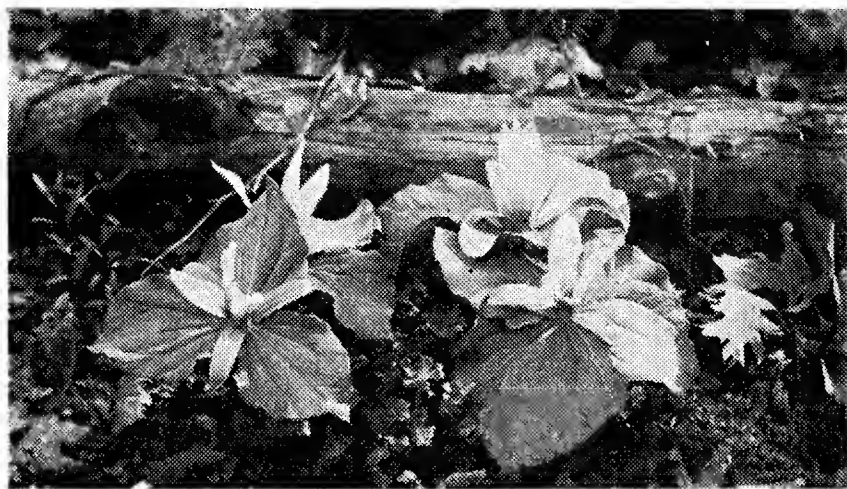
Wild Flowers for Your Home

Our location, 160 miles north of San Francisco in the coast range, 35 miles from the Pacific, is very advantageously situated for the collecting and propagating of wild plant life. Our nursery lies at an altitude of 2800 feet and we have considerable cold weather which tends to harden our stock

OUR AIM is to deliver bulbs, seeds and plants of wild flowers, ferns and shrubs at a reasonable price. We are glad to answer inquiries and if we cannot answer or fill your orders we will tell you where you can secure the information.

When on the Redwood Highway come and see us. We are seven miles from Laytonville in Mendocino County. It will be best to phone us from Laytonville.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Calmer.



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